

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image transfer system, comprising:
a housing;
an image capture system, within said housing and coupled to said transfer
5 engine, for producing an image;
a transfer engine, within said housing, for transferring said image to a
transfer medium when said transfer medium is located at a transfer position;
a transfer medium registration system, coupled to said transfer engine, for
positioning a pad including a plurality of transfer media releasably secured to one
10 another, wherein said transfer registration system locates one of said transfer media at
said transfer position.
2. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said transfer engine
includes an electrostatic transfer system.
3. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said transfer engine
15 includes an ink ejection system.
4. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said transfer engine
includes a thermal transfer system.
5. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said transfer
medium registration system includes a cartridge for storing said pad.
- 20 6. The image transfer system of claim 5 wherein said cartridge adapts
a plurality of pads having differing cross-sectional areas to said transfer registration
system.

7. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said one of said transfer media is a top-most transfer media of said pad.

8. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said one of said transfer media is a bottom-most transfer media of said pad.

5 9. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said plurality of transfer media are secured using a semi-tacky adhesive disposed between successive edges of said plurality of transfer media.

10 10. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said plurality of transfer media are secured using an adhesive adhered to a plurality of side edges of said plurality of transfer media.

11. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said transfer engine includes a replaceable cartridge containing a transfer medium for said transfer engine.

12. The image transfer system of claim 11 wherein said transfer engine includes an aperture for controllably ejecting ink and said cartridge contains said ink.

15 13. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said transfer registration system includes a media stripper for removing said located one transfer medium from said pad.

14. The image transfer system of claim 13 wherein said transfer registration system ejects said removed transfer medium from said housing.

20 15. The image transfer system of claim 1 wherein said transfer image is a printer.

16. An image transfer method, the method comprising:
capturing an image using an image capture system within a housing;

positioning a pad at a transfer position of a transfer engine inside said housing, said pad including a plurality of transfer media releasably secured to one another; and

transferring said image to one of said transfer media positioned at said
5 transfer position.

17. The image transfer method of claim 16 wherein said one of said transfer media is releasably secured to said pad when said image is transferred.

18. The image transfer method of claim 16 wherein said one of said transfer media is detached from said pad when said image is transferred.

10 19. An image transfer apparatus, comprising:

means for capturing an image using an image capture system within a housing;

means, coupled to said means for capturing, for positioning a pad at a transfer position of a transfer engine inside said housing, said pad including a plurality of
15 transfer media releasably secured to one another; and

means for transferring said image to one of said transfer media positioned at said transfer position.